

Witness Name: Jusm Bader Statement No.: 1 Exhibits: Dated: 13/08/2014

## In the matter of an investigation into the death of Nadheem Abdullah

WITNESS STATEMENT OF JUSM BADER

I, Jusm Bader, will say as follows:-

- 1. I am making this statement for the purposes of the investigation into the death of my son Nadheem Abdullah Manea in which I set out what I remember about the event of the death of Nadheem.
- 3. I gave birth to Nadheem in 1985 in Al-Harra village, Al-Uzayr District, Maysaan Province, Iraq. He was single, unmarried, when he died.
- 4. I remember the incident took place on a Sunday, though I cannot remember the exact date.
- 5. Nadheem wanted to go to Al-Uzayr market for shopping. After about 15 minutes Issa (one of our tribesmen) returned with my son Nadheem. I saw Nadheem laid on Karima's and Samira's laps in Issa's car. They were trying to help him. I could see that he was injured. I was upset and did not know yet what had happened.

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- 6. Nadheem was brought inside the house using a blanket. We were asking him questions but he was not able to answer. All he could do was open and shut his eyes. He was bleeding from a wound on the small finger of his left hand. Most of his face was swollen and his head was battered, although I could not see any external bleeding. He was throwing up and bleeding out of his mouth while lying on his back, and when he turned to his side blood poured out of his mouth.
- 7. After about 15 minutes we took him to Dr Abdel Khalik's surgery in the Al-Uzayr area. His forehead was swollen and he had bruises all around his face and his neck. He was almost unconscious. Dr Abdel Khaliq said that his condition was critical. We therefore took him to Al-Amara Hospital.
- 8. When we arrived at the hospital Nadheem was put in a private room. A breathing aid and a feeding device were applied. I stood outside the door and waited for a long time as I was not allowed in. After that I went to Al-Amara town centre where I stayed with some relatives. I returned to the hospital at around 4.00am the following morning when we were told that we had to take Nadheem to the hospital in Basra where neurologists were available.
- 9. We requested an ambulance from the hospital to take us to Basra. The hospital refused our request for fear of the bandits on the way between Amara and Basra due to the prevalent lack of security then. On our way to Basra and before reaching Al-Qurna City, Nadheem died. We took him to a doctor in Al-Qurna who pushed on his chest and then declared him dead so we took him back home and buried him in Al-Najaf Governorate.

## Allah is witness to what I say.

I confirm that the facts stated in this witness statement are true and this is my witness statement.

Signature: FINGERPRINTED

Dated: 13/8/2014

I neither read nor write, therefore my witness statement has been read to me by lawyer Zainab Al Qurnawi and I confirm the content of the statement upon which I gave my fingerprint above.

This statement was fingerprinted with the presence of a witness.

Signature: (signed)

Name: Ali Sabri Wadi

Address:

Date: 13/8/2014